

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

VICTOR HOTH0 and AYAKO MITSUI,
individually and as parents and natural
guardians of infant, ALYN HOTH0,

Plaintiffs,

05 CV 2609
JUDGE BAER

v.

EDWARD F. ROSSI, M.D.,
PEDIATRICS EAST OF NEW YORK, P.C.
and, ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL,
MANHATTAN,

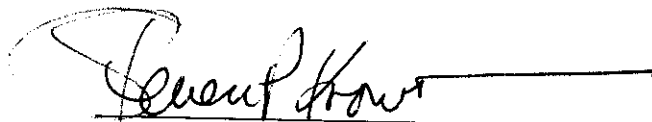
Defendants

AFFIDAVIT OF MERIT

STEVEN P. KNOWLTON, an attorney duly admitted to practice law, hereby
affirms as follows:

That I am the attorney for the plaintiffs herein, and that at least one physician who
is licensed to practice medicine and who I believe is knowledgeable in the relevant issues
involved in this action has reviewed the facts and circumstances of this matter and has
been consulted concerning this matter.

Based upon this physician's review and consultation, there is a reasonable basis
for the commencement of this action.



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